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# Imitations of Baudelaire

Two choruses

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# *Imitations of Baudelaire*

## *Méditation (Recueillement)*

*Amira, for her fortieth birthday*

Robert Lowell  
Alexander Goehr (1985)

Op. 47

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**I** Soprano: Calm down, my Sor - row, we must move with care.

**II** Alto: Calm down, my Sor - row, we must move with care.

**I** Tenor: Calm down, my Sor - row, we must move with care.

**II** Bass: Calm down, my Sor - row, we must move with care.

**I** care. You called for eve - ning; it de-scends; it's here.

**S.** care. You called for eve - ning; it de-scends; it's here.

**II** care. You called for eve - ning; it de-scends; it's here.

**A.** care. You called for eve - ning; it de-scends; it's here.

**I** care. You called for eve - ning; it de-scends; it's here.

**B.** care. You called for eve - ning; it de-scends; it's here.

*ancora pp*

The town is confined in its atmosphere.

*ancora pp*

here. The town is confined

*ancora pp*

here. The town is confined

*ancora pp*

The town is confined in its atmosphere.

*ancora pp*

here. The town is confined in its atmosphere.

*ancora pp*

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*ancora pp*

here. The town is confined in its atmosphere.

*pp*

*sub. decresc. al pp*

a tempo (♩)

bring-ing re-lief to some, to o - thers care.

*sub. decresc. al pp*

bring-ing re-lief to some, to o - thers care.

*poco f*

*sub. decresc. al pp*

bring-ing re-lief to some, to o - thers care.

*cresc... poco f*

*sub. decresc. al pp*

bring-ing re-lief to some, to o - thers care.

*cresc.... poco f*

*sub. decresc. al pp*

bring-ing re-lief to some, to o - thers care.

*cresc..... poco f*

*sub. decresc. al pp*

bring-ing re-lief to some, to o - thers care.

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16      *poco f*

S. Now while the com - mon mul - ti - tude - erine

II. *poco f*

N. Now while the com - mon mul - ti - tude - erine

A. care. *poco f* Now while the com - mon mul - ti - tude - erine

T. Now while the com - mon mul - ti - tude - erine

II. care. *poco f* Now while the com - mon mul - ti - tude - erine

B. care. Now while the com - mon mul - ti - tude - erine

20 *p poco f*

S. bare. *f* on its back, and fights off *fp*

II. bare. *f* on its back, and

B. *p poco f* *f = p*

plea - sure's cat o' nine tails on its back, and fights *fp*

*p poco f* *f = p*

bare, feels plea - sure's cat o' nine tails on its back, and *fp*

B. *poco f* *f = p*

feels plea - sure's cat o' nine tails on its back, and *fp*

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I an-guish at the great ba - zaar, give me your hand.  
 II fights off an - guish at the great ba-zaar, give me your hand.  
 A. - off an-guish at the great ba-zaar, give me your hand.  
 I fights off an - guish at the great ba-zaar, give me your hand.  
 T. fights off an - guish at the great ba-zaar, give me your hand.  
 II fights off an - guish at the great ba-zaar, give me your hand.  
 B. fights off an - guish at the great ba-zaar, give me your hand.

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I my Sor - row. Let's stand back;  
 S. sub. Let's stand back;  
 II sub. Let's stand back;  
 A. sub. Let's stand back; back  
 I sub. Let's stand back; back  
 T. sub. Let's stand back; back  
 II sub. Let's stand back;  
 B. sub. Let's stand back;

me your hand, my Sor - row. Let's stand back;  
 me your hand, my Sor - row. Let's stand back;

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32 *p* tempo I<sup>o</sup> (♩) *<fp* *mp* *dolce*

I back from these peo-ple! Look. the dead years dressed

S. div. *p* *<fp* *mp* *dolce*

II back from these peo-ple! Look. the

A. sub. cresc. *f* *mp* *dolce*

— from these peo-ple! Look. the

1 sub. cresc. *f* *mp* *dolce*

T. — from these peo-ple! Look. the

II p sub. cresc. *f* *mp* *dolce*

B. *p* back from these peo-ple! Look. the dead years dressed in

36 — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

S. — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

II — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

A. — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

1 — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

T. — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

II — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

B. — in old clothes crowd the bal-co-nies of the sky.

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